

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 3850 – HB 3834

April 15, 2010

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (016012, 016675):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause and authorizes the Commissioner of Health to charge a registration fee for each vaccination certificate that does not exceed the cost of the program. Creates a \$0.50 surcharge on the fee for the sole purpose to fund congregate or home-delivered meals for elder citizens under programs administered by the Department of Human Services or the Commission on Aging and Disability and adds the severability clause.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000\*

*\*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

**Increase State Revenue - \$1,000,000/Rabies Vaccination Certificate Fee  
\$500,000/Congregate or Home-Delivered Meals Programs  
Decrease State Expenditures - \$1,000,000/General Fund**

**(The \$1,000,000 in rabies vaccination fee revenue is reflected in the Governor's FY10-11 Recommended Budget)**

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- According to the Department of Health, there will be a fee of \$1 per registration established that will result in \$1,000,000 in service fee revenue.
- Currently, the rabies vaccination program is 100 percent funded through the General Fund. This will result in a decrease in \$1,000,000 in General Fund expenditures for the program. The \$1,000,000 in increased revenue will not completely fund the program.
- The Governor's proposed budget proposes to replace \$1,000,000 of General Fund dollars with \$1,000,000 service fee revenue in the program's budget.

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- The \$0.50 surcharge on the fee will result in \$500,000  $[(\$1,000,000/\$1) \times \$0.50]$  in revenue to fund congregate and home-delivered meals for elder citizens that are enrolled in programs administered by the Department of Human Services and the Commission on Aging and Disability.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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